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EMISSION NORMS FOR SHIPPING
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Will the Minister of SHIPPING be pleased to state:

(a) whether the International Maritime Organisation have made emission norms for shipping mandatory for the international shipping companies;

(b) if so, the details in this regard;

(c) the extent to which energy efficiency is likely to be improved after the implementation of the new emission norms; and

(d) the details of the mechanism set up by the Government for the proper implementation of the said norms?

Answer

MINISTER OF SHIPPING (SHRI G.K. VASAN)

(a): Yes, Madam.

(b)&(c): International Maritime Organization (IMO) has adopted mandatory measures to reduce emissions of greenhouse gases (GHGs) from international shipping. For this purpose a new chapter on energy efficiency of ships has been added to the Annex VI of the International Convention for Prevention of Pollution from Ships (MARPOL). India is a party to this Convention. These measures include, inter-alia, provision for Energy Efficiency Design Index (EEDI) for new ships and the Ship Energy Efficiency Management Plan (SEEMP) for all ships, which will improve the energy efficiency of ships.

(d): With respect to the Energy Efficiency Design Index (EEDI) and the Ship Energy Efficiency Management Plan (SEEMP), the Directorate General of Shipping has initiated necessary steps for survey/inspection of Indian ships to ensure compliance.